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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Alcoholic Beverages - Winery Special Event Permits**

3 FOR the purpose of ~~altering the length of time for which a winery special event~~
4 ~~permit is effective; altering the frequency for issuing permits~~ increasing the
5 maximum number of winery special events permits that may be issued in any
6 calendar year; repealing a certain requirement for the issuance of a permit; and
7 generally relating to winery special event permits.

8 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
9 Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages
10 Section 2-101(u)(1) and (2)
11 Annotated Code of Maryland
12 (2001 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
14 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

15 **Article 2B - Alcoholic Beverages**

16 2-101.

17 (u) (1) The Office of the Comptroller may issue a winery special event
18 permit to a licensed Class 4 Maryland limited winery, provided that:

19 (i) No more than 12 winery special event permits are issued to the
20 Class 4 Maryland limited winery in any given calendar year;

1 (ii) The permit does not exceed ~~{3} 40~~ consecutive days; and

2 (iii) No more than ~~one~~ THREE winery special event ~~permit is~~
3 PERMITS ARE issued in any calendar ~~{year}~~ MONTH to any given limited winery for
4 use in the same political subdivision.

5 (2) The winery special event permit may only be issued for an event
6 which:

7 (i) Has as its major purpose an activity other than the sale and
8 promotion of alcoholic beverages and for which the participation of the winery is a
9 subordinate activity;

10 (ii) [Is organized and conducted by a nonprofit organization or
11 government entity;

12 (iii)] Is approved by the Department of Agriculture and the Office of
13 the Comptroller; and

14 [(iv)] (III) Is held on a nonlicensed premises or a premises on which a
15 person may obtain a temporary alcoholic beverages license.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
17 June 1, 2004.